

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, D.C.

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NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN DISMISSING APPLICATIONS—VARIOUS DOCKETS

This serves as notice to the public of the actions described below, taken on the date shown above by the Department official indicated (no additional confirming order will be issued in these matters).

The carriers listed below have applied for various forms of authority or relief under Title 49 of the United States Code in order to perform the air transportation activities described. Each application has either been withdrawn by the applicant or otherwise become moot. Therefore, we find that these applications should be dismissed, under authority assigned by the Department in its Regulations, 14 CFR § 385.3 and 385.13.

Docket Description of Application

OST-99-6194 Continental Airlines, Inc. and Lineas Aereas Chilenas S.A. (Avant Airlines),

filed August 31, 1999 as amended October 14, 1999. Joint application seeking exemption authority and statements of authorization to conduct certain reciprocal codeshare services between Chile and the United States. On October 25, 1999, we granted in part and deferred in part action on the joint application. The exemption authority we granted Avant to engage in scheduled combination services between Chile and the United States (via code-share only) expired by its terms on October 25, 2000. On December 12, 2000, Continental and Avant filed a joint motion withdrawing the deferred portion of their request (to place Continental's code flights operated by

Avant between Santiago and named Chilean points).

OST-98-3940 Asiana Airlines, filed June 21, 2000. Renew exemption, last granted June 22, 1998,

in this docket, to engage in scheduled foreign air transportation of persons, property and mail from points behind the Republic of Korea, via the Republic of Korea and intermediate points, to a point or points in the United States and beyond. By Order 2000-11-20, we issued Asiana an amended foreign air carrier permit which

encompasses the authority at issue here. The request of Asiana in Docket OST-98-

3940 is therefore moot.

OST-96-2013 Société Caribéenne de Transport Aérien d/b/a Air St. Martin, filed December

10, 1996. Initial foreign air carrier permit to engage in charter foreign air transportation of person (and accompanying baggage) between points in the French

West Indies and points in the United States; and other passenger charters in accordance with Part 212 of our rules. Information available to the Department

indicates that Air St. Martin has no plans to prosecute this application.

DISPOSITION

Action: We dismiss the applications described above.

Action taken by: Paul L. Gretch, Director

Office of International Aviation

Persons entitled to petition the Department for review of the action set forth in this Notice under the Department's regulations, 14 CFR § 385.30, may file their petitions within ten (10) days after the date of issuance of this Notice. The actions set forth in this Notice shall be effective and become the actions of the Department of Transportation upon expiration of the above period unless within such period a petition for Department review is filed or the Department gives notice that it will review one or more actions on its own motion. The filing of a petition for review with respect to one of the dismissed items will not alter the effectiveness of this Notice with respect to the others.

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